Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Lawrence Ramon DeJong and Anna Mae Dennis exchanged their wedding vows on May 14, 1960, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newlywed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Lawrence and Anna Mae gave life and love to three children: Kent, Bruce, and Paul; and,

Whereas, Lawrence worked as a Army Warrant Officer and Marine Engineer retiring from the Army in 1976, and then served as a boiler and nuclear power plan inspector for the next 15 years, and Anna Mae served the South Sarpy School District as an office aide and teaching assistant for 22 years until her retirement in 1998; and,

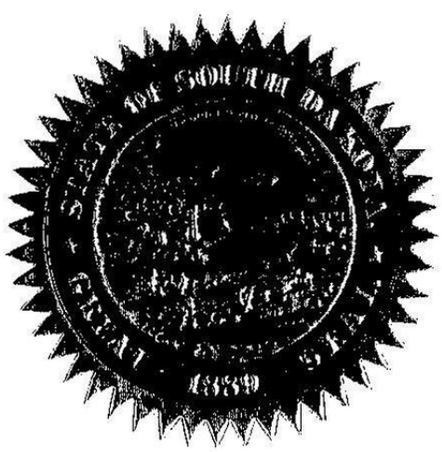
Whereas, Lawrence and Anna Mae will observe their 50th wedding anniversary with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as their friends and relatives gather to honor them on May 28, 2010, to celebrate their lives and the camaraderie of the day; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this special occasion in the lives of these two people who have lived exemplary lives for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 28, 2010, as

LAWRENCE AND ANNA MAE DeJONG DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-sixth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Teresa J. Bray, Deputy

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State